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Assistant Director for Operations

8 January 1957

Chief, FBID

Monthly Progress Report for December 1956

**OPERATIONS**

1. The Chief, FBID attended the annual meeting of the FBIS-BBC Monitoring Services Co-ordination Committee in London on 5 December. The minutes of the meeting were approved and signed by the Acting DCI. Chief, FBID's trip report dated 21 December included details of mutual plans and policies discussed with BBC officials, inspection of the London Bureau and discussions of Cyprus affairs with the visiting Chief of the Mediterranean Bureau.

2. Supplements to the Daily Report:

a. 5 December -- "Current Themes of Syrian Radio Propaganda"

b. 31 December -- "More on the Historical Experience of the Dictatorship of the Proletariat," which summed up a discussion at a recent enlarged session of the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party.

3. Radio Propaganda Branch publications:

a. "Special Honors for Zhukov on His 60th Birthday," requested by State Department OIR/DRS.

b. "Some Aspects of Suslov's October Revolution Speech," calling attention to the manner in which PRAVDA and Radio Moscow tampered with the original text.

c. "Peking Propaganda Position on Americans Held in China," including a collation of Chinese Communist statements on the subject, in anticipation of Nehru's discussions of Sino-U.S. relations in Washington. Additional copies of the report were requested by the Office of the Director.

d. "The Chinese Communist Attitude Toward the Soviet-Yugoslav Debate and the Satellite Thaw," which drew complimentary comment from consumers in the State Department and OCI. [redacted] Chief of OCI's China Desk and the Marco Polo project, requested permission to use part of the contents.

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e. "Soviet Radio Output to Foreign Audiences," summing up significant changes in Radio Moscow's program schedules.

f. "Soviet Rejection of a Polish-Yugoslav 'Third Road,'" reviewing Soviet propaganda treatment of recent Polish developments and the related Soviet-Yugoslav polemics on socialism in the Satellites.

4. At the request of the Assistant Director for Operations a memorandum was prepared reviewing Marshal Zhukov's public statements on Soviet nuclear retaliatory capability. The memorandum attempted to clarify a controversy, reported in the "Washington Post and Times Herald," stemming from Representative John E. Moss's request for an explanation of why a speech by Air Secretary Quarles was revised in the Defense Department's Office of Security Review.

5. New or continuing special services rendered by FBIS:

a. The special wire service to Ambassador Johnson in Geneva was continued.

b. The Atomic Energy Commission advised that they will continue to require the "B" Wire service after their anticipated move to Germantown, Pennsylvania in September, 1957.

6. The West Coast and Okinawa Bureaus were singled out for favorable mention in an Embassy dispatch for their effective coverage of the Peking radio in connection with the visit of Chou en-lai to Phnom Penh. Copies of the dispatch will be forwarded to the interested bureaus.

7. A memorandum to the Assistant Director for Operations dated 4 December detailed the present status of action on DCI requests pertaining to dissemination of FBIS material to Agency field stations and specifically to Karachi. Copies of RQM/OIS and NEA memoranda were attached.

8. A memorandum to the Assistant Director for Operations dated 17 December requested authority for distribution of certain Agency and non-Agency classified publications to FBIS overseas bureaus.

9. The Austrian Bureau now monitors the Bratislava Television transmitter whenever conditions permit. Product of the monitoring was filed during the month. Video was fair to good, but audio poor, due to transmitter inadequacies.

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**FACILITIES**

10. The Chief, Saigon Bureau advises that as the French have ended their monitoring publications service, it has become necessary for the Bureau to maximize its own coverage of Southeast Asia transmitters.

11. The "B" Wire extension previously located in Jackson Place in support of the Intelligence Division of the Operations Coordination Board was moved by the Telephone Company on 19 December to Room 396, Executive Office Building. *ING*

12. Okinawa construction:

a. The final phase of the quonset replacement housing construction program authorized by Project DD/I-158-56 is approximately 76 percent complete.

b. Post-typhoon rehabilitation of all Rhombic antennae has been completed. Periodic check of all Beverage antenna transfers and terminators has been accomplished.

13. Real Estate and Construction Division has approved a Sonoma County request for a waterline right-of-way across West Coast Bureau property. GSA, San Francisco, is conducting the negotiations. The pipe line will be constructed in such a way as to cause no interference with Bureau operations. A tap in the line will be made to permit drawing of water should it become necessary to abandon the station well.

14. [ ] Assistant Chief Engineer, Mediterranean Bureau, has successfully accomplished his mission to the Austrian Bureau. This consisted of purchasing and modifying equipment for the reception of the Bratislava TV casts and recording of the audio portion, relocation of receiving equipment, and installation of new antennas. Possible relocation sites were also investigated. [ ] is proceeding to Frankfurt early in January to assist in alignment and overhaul of the German Bureau's equipment. 50X1

**ADMINISTRATION**

15. The Division announces with regret the death in Cyprus of [ ], who had been employed at Mediterranean Bureau as an Arabic monitor since 1950. Local recruitment is under way to fill this vacancy and two others under the revised Foreign National T/O for the Mediterranean Bureau. 50X1

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16. [ ] , PED/OP, was briefed by the Division in preparation for his field trip to the West Coast and Far Eastern Bureaus. He will review current salary and wage administration, and other personnel problems.

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17. The position of Chief Engineer has been reclassified from GS-14 to GS-15. A recommendation has been made to promote the present incumbent.

18. [ ] Pers.SD/OS, has completed polygraphs on West Coast Bureau personnel who had not previously been examined.

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19. Effective 16 December 1956 the local wage scale of the German Bureau was increased across the board by approximately eight percent.

20. During December four employees were separated from FBID and four new employees entered on duty. Classified on-duty strength on 31 December was [ ] five under ceiling.

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**Attachments:**

1. Production Report
2. Personnel Supplement
3. Special Requirements

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## 1. Weekly Average of Field Bureau Production, December 1956

FIELD BUREAU	HOURS MONITORED	WORDAGE FILED	ITEMS FILED	ITEMS PUBLISHED
Austria	22 3/4	66,100*	100*	65*
East Coast	651	45,500	235	150
German	199 1/2	70,000*	125*	80*
Hokkaido	115 1/2	29,000	300	300
London	1,575	320,000	1,625	510
Mediterranean	490	182,000	1,295	585
Okinawa	773 1/2	124,500	450	355
Saigon	105	31,500*	120*	60*
Tokyo	157 1/2	33,500*	95 *	55*
West Coast	<u>697</u>	<u>119,000</u>	<u>800</u>	<u>480</u>
Total	4,786 3/4	1,021,100	4,145	2,810

\*Includes Press Scrutiny

NOTE: A weekly average of 461,146 words were filed to HBC.

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PERSONNEL SUPPLEMENT TO MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

December 1956

1. Summary

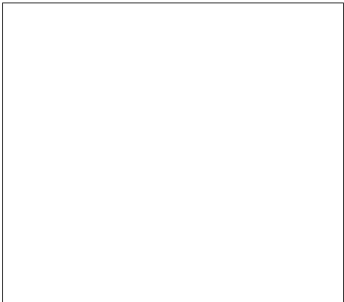
<u>Number of Personnel</u>	<u>American</u>							<u>Native</u>	
	<u>T/O</u>	<u>Ceiling</u>	<u>On Duty</u>	<u>In Process</u>	<u>Entered On Duty</u>	<u>Promo- tions</u>	<u>Trans- ferred</u>	<u>Separated</u>	<u>T/O</u> <u>On Duty</u>
Departmental									
U.S. Field									
Foreign Field									
Departmental & Field (Total)									

\*Includes  
1 Extended External Training  
1 Extended LWOP

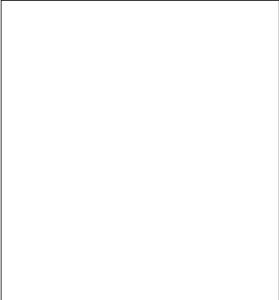
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2. Personnel Entering on Duty

<u>Name, Title, Grade</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Date</u>	
	Editorial Branch	4 December 1956	50X1
	East Coast Bureau	10 December 1956	
	Editorial Branch	3 December 1956	
	Editorial Branch	16 December 1956	

3. Promotions

<u>Name</u>	<u>Old Title, Grade Assignment</u>	<u>New Title, Grade Assignment</u>	<u>Date</u>	
  Roger G. Seely	Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-9 Okinawa Bureau	Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-11 Okinawa Bureau	2 December 1956	50X1
	Clerk Typist, GS-4 Engineering Staff	Secretary Typing, GS-5 Engineering Staff	2 December 1956	
	Prop Anal Officer, GS-11 Radio Propaganda Branch	Prop Anal Officer, GS-12 Radio Propaganda Branch	16 December 1956	
	Admin. Asst., GS-6 West Coast Bureau	Admin. Asst., GS-7 West Coast Bureau	16 December 1956	
	Info Officer, GS-15 Office of the Chief	Info Officer, GS-16 Office of the Chief	16 December 1956	

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4. Reassignments

Name

Old Title, Grade  
Assignment

New Title, Grade  
Assignment

Date

Electron Eng(Radio), GS-11  
Mediterranean Bureau

Electron Eng(Radio), GS-11  
West Coast Bureau

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Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-11  
London Bureau

Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-11  
West Coast Bureau

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Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-11  
Mediterranean Bureau

Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-11  
Editorial Branch

18 November 1956

5. Transfers

Name

Title, Grade, Assignment

Recipient Office

Date

Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-9  
Editorial Branch

DDF/WE

2 December 1956

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Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-11  
Editorial Branch

DDF/WE 2

16 December 1956

6. Separations

Name

Title, Grade, Assignment

Date

Admin. Asst., GS-9  
East Coast Bureau

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Intell. Asst., GS-7  
Radio Propaganda Branch

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7. Miscellaneous

<u>Change of Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Date</u>	
	[redacted]	[redacted]	15 December 1956	50X1
	Info Sp(For Edcst), GS-6 Editorial Branch	Info Sp(For Edcst), GS-6 Editorial Branch		50X1

8. OO Career Service Program

a. [redacted] WAID employees are members of the Career Service. 50X1

b. Training Activities

[redacted]	Lecture Series - SEA 21 October - 21 December 1956	Internal	50X1
	Basic Supervision 26 November - 7 December 1956	Internal	
	Basic Management 10 - 21 December 1956	Internal	

9. Foreign Travel

<u>Name of Traveler</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Date of Departure and Return</u>	
[redacted]	Europe and Africa	26 July 1956 - 15 January 1957	50X1
	London, England Caversham, England	1 December 1956 - 13 December 1956	

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